# Computation of hybrid static potentials from optimized trial states in SU(3) lattice gauge theory

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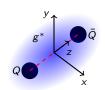
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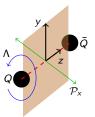
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Hybrid meson: meson with excitations in the gluon fields → exotic quantum numbers possible

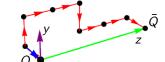


- $\Lambda = 0, 1, 2, \ldots$ , absolute angular momentum w.r.t separation axis
- $\epsilon = +, -$ , eigenvalue of operator  $\mathcal{P}_{x}$ , corresponding to reflection on the y-z-plane
- $\eta = g, u$ , eigenvalue of operator  $\mathcal{P} \circ \mathcal{C}$ , the combination of parity and charge conjugation



Hybrid mesons

Construction of trial states on the lattice: choose some non-trivial spatial path S for a Wilson loop



- the state  $|\Psi_{\text{Hybrid}}\rangle_{S,\Lambda} = \sum_{k=0}^{3} \exp(i\Lambda k\pi/2) \mathcal{O}(k\pi/2) |\Omega\rangle$  has defined angular momentum A
- use projectors

$$\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{P}_{\mathsf{x}},\epsilon} = \frac{1+\epsilon\mathcal{P}_{\mathsf{x}}}{2} \qquad \qquad \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{P}\circ\mathcal{C},\eta} = \frac{1+\eta\mathcal{P}\circ\mathcal{C}}{2}$$

to project  $|\Psi_{Hybrid}\rangle_{S,\Lambda}$  onto the subspace of eigenstates to  $\mathcal{P}_{\mathsf{x}}, \mathcal{P} \circ \mathcal{C}$ 

#### Creation operators

the state

Hybrid mesons

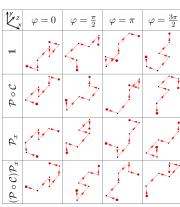
$$\begin{split} |\Psi_{\mathsf{Hybrid}}\rangle_{\mathbf{S};\Lambda_{\eta}^{\epsilon}} &= \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{P}_{x},\epsilon}\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{P}\circ\mathcal{C},\eta} \left|\Psi_{\mathsf{Hybrid}}\right\rangle_{\mathbf{S},\Lambda} \\ &= \bar{q}(-\frac{r}{2})a_{\mathbf{S};\Lambda_{\eta}^{\epsilon}}(-\frac{r}{2},\frac{r}{2})q(\frac{r}{2})\left|\Omega\right\rangle \end{split}$$

has defined quantum numbers  $\Lambda_n^{\epsilon}$ 

→ generate creation operators

$$a_{S;\Lambda_{\eta}^{\epsilon}} = (1/4) \sum_{k=0}^{3} \exp(i\Lambda k\pi/2) \hat{R}(k\pi/2)$$
$$\times (S + \eta S_{\mathcal{P}} + \epsilon S_{\mathcal{P}_{x}} + \epsilon \eta S_{\mathcal{P}\mathcal{P}_{x}})$$

• ... which shape to choose?



## Hybrid static potentials

Compute hybrid static potentials from correlation functions

$$egin{aligned} W_{S,S';\Lambda_{\eta}^{\epsilon}}(r,t) &= \langle \Psi_{\mathsf{Hybrid}}(r,t)_{S;\Lambda_{\eta}^{\epsilon}} | \Psi_{\mathsf{Hybrid}}(r,0)_{S;\Lambda_{\eta}^{\epsilon}} 
angle \ &\sim_{t o \infty} \exp(-V_{\Lambda_{\eta}^{\epsilon}}(r)t) \end{aligned}$$

- Usual problem: signal-to-noise ratio decreases exponentially for increasing t  $\rightarrow$  find shapes which generate trial states with large ground state overlap
  - → extract hybrid static potentials at region with larger signal-to-noise ratio
- to identify suitable shapes, we compute the effective mass

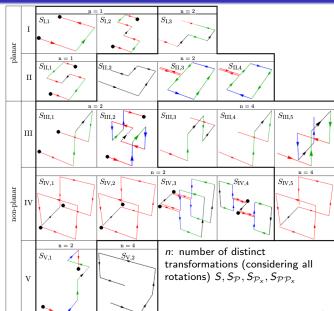
$$V_{\mathrm{eff},S;\Lambda_{\eta}^{\epsilon}}(r,t)a = \ln\left(rac{W_{S,S';\Lambda_{\eta}^{\epsilon}}(r,t)}{W_{S,S';\Lambda_{\eta}^{\epsilon}}(r,t+a)}
ight)$$

at small separations t/a = 1, 2 and 100 gauge configurations for a large set of operators S

### Operator set

#### Starting set of operators

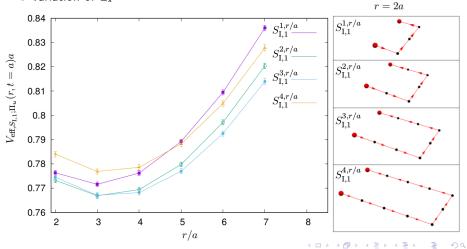
- arrows represent straight lines of links
  - solid: length  $\geq 1$
  - dotted: length  $\geq 0$
- we vary
  - length of any straight line
  - placement on the separation axis
- colors mark paths of same length



# Optimizing operators

Example: optimizing  $S_{l,1}$  with x, z extensions  $E_x, E_z$  for state  $\Pi_u$ 

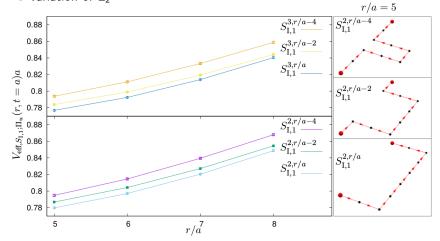
- ightarrow variations  $S_{\mathsf{I},1}^{\mathit{E}_{\mathsf{x}},\mathit{E}_{\mathsf{z}}}$ 
  - variation of  $E_x$



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• variation of  $E_z$ 

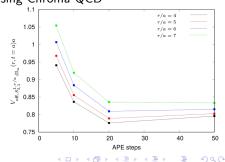


#### Lattice setup

Wilson plaquette action

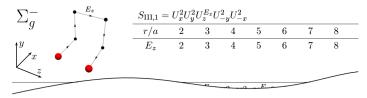
$$S_g[U] = \frac{\beta}{3} \sum_n \sum_{\mu < \nu} \operatorname{Re} \{ \operatorname{Tr} \left[ \mathbb{1} - U_{\mu\nu}(n) \right] \}$$

- Lattice dimensions:  $24^3 \times 48$
- $\beta = 6.0 \rightarrow a \approx 0.093$  fm
- 5500 gauge configurations, generated using Chroma QCD
- check for autocorrelation using binning
- APE smearing of spatial links
  - $\alpha_{APE} = 0.5$
  - optimized  $N_{\rm APE} \approx 20$



# Sets of optimized trial states

- Optimization of linear combinations too expensive
- Each operator is optimized independently for each sector  $\Lambda_n^{\epsilon}$  and quark separation r/a
- Compute the correlation matrix C(t) using a subset of 3 best operators for each sector



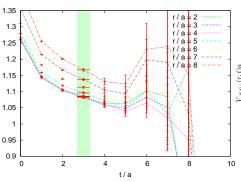
Perform variational analysis by solving a generalized eigenvalue problem

$$C(t)v_n(t,t_0)=\lambda_n(t,t_0)C(t_0)v_n(t,t_0)$$

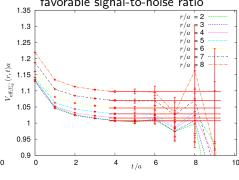
### Effective potentials

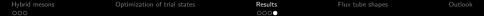
Exemplary effective potentials for sector  $\Sigma_u^-$ 

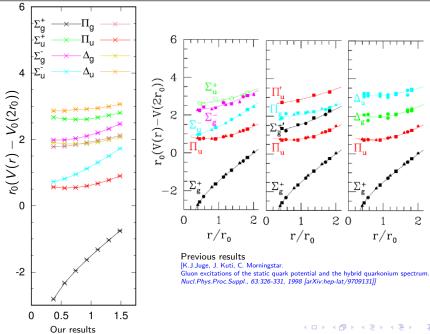
- previous results, non-optimized operators
- no real plateau visible, only crude guess possible



- effective potentials from optimized operators
- plateau reached much earlier, allowing for fit in region with favorable signal-to-noise ratio







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#### chromoelectric and chromomagnetic field

On the lattice field strength tensor corresponds to plaquette

$$P_{\mu\nu} = \text{Tr}\left[e^{igaF_{\mu\nu}}
ight] \Rightarrow \text{Tr}\left(F_{\mu\nu}^2\right) pprox rac{2}{g^2a^2}\left(2 - P_{\mu\nu}
ight)$$

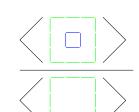
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$$\Delta B_j^2 \equiv \langle B_j(\vec{x})^2 \rangle_{Q\bar{Q}} - \langle B_j^2 \rangle_{vac} = \frac{2}{g^2 a^2} \left[ \langle P_{kl} \rangle - \frac{\langle W \cdot P_{kl}(T/2, \vec{x}) \rangle}{\langle W \rangle} \right] \quad \text{plaquette}$$

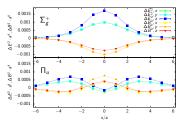
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$$\langle E^2 
angle$$
 in presence of  $Qar{Q}$ 

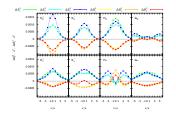




#### hybrid static potential flux tube profile on mediator axis



Computed in SU(2) lattice gauge theory with lattice spacing  $a \approx 0.073 fm$ . This was done for all quantum numbers:



Very recently flux tubes for hybrid static potentials have been investigated for the first time in

[M. Cardoso, N. Cardoso, P. Bicudo: "Colour fields of the quark-antiquark excited flux tube", arXiv:1803.04569 [hep-lat]]

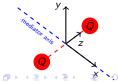
with discrepancies to our work.

The only major difference in the computations were SU(3) rather than SU(2) lattice gauge theory.

In contrary to this work, our studies involved treating the E- and B-field components separately which led to results consistent with analytic approaches in

[N. Brambilla, A. Pineda, J. Soto and A. Vairo: "Effective field theories for heavy quarkonium" (2005) [hep-ph/0410047]].

The next step will be to compute chromoelectric and chromomagnetic field strength components in SU(3) Lattice gauge theory



#### Outlook

- Use the obtained hybrid static potentials to solve Schrödinger equations and obtain hybrid meson spectra
- computations using a smaller lattice spacing
- QCD configurations

# Thank you!